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TITLE OF INVENTION: CASTINGS OF METALLIC ALLOYS WITH IMPROVED SURFACE QUALITY, STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY AND MECHANICAL PROPERTIES FABRICATED IN REFRACTORY METALS AND REFRACTORY METAL CARBIDES COATED GRAPHITE MOLDS UNDER VACUUM

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